Reply of Government.—It is intended to continue all taluk headquarters as Municipalities.

SUBJECT No. 209.

Division of a taluk into circles.

Mr. A. Anniah Pandit, Mysore District Board.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 210.

Election of Mahomedan members to Local Boards.

Mr. C. Rasul Khan, The Anjuman-i-Islamia, Chikmagalur.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 211.

Lighting in Unions.

Mr. A. Anniah Pandit, Mysore District Board.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 212.

Sanitation of villages.

Mr. C. Sreenivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Sanitation of villages is much neglected. A committee may be appointed for the improvement of village sanitation. Provision for good drinking water may be made in all villages.

Reply of Government.—District Sanitary Officers and Sanitary Inspectors have been appointed in order that the necessary steps may be taken for the improvement of village sanitation. A committee is unnecessary. Wells are being sunk in villages as far as funds permit.

SUBJECT No. 213.

Allotment for drinking water wells.

Messrs. Ramappa and Rangappa, Srinivaspur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The sanctioned annual allotments from the Local Fund Budget are insufficient to meet the growing necessity for drinking water. Special grants may, as in former years, be continued for a couple of years more to meet urgent needs.

Reply of Government.—Recorded.

SUBJECT No. 214.

Improvement of District headquarters.

Mr. Abdul Khalik, Chikmagalur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that a general policy may be laid down for the allotment of a certain sum annually from the State Budget for the improvement of the District headquarter towns as most of these cannot afford sufficient funds for improvement out of their municipal revenue.

Reply of Government.—State aid is being granted as far as funds permit for the improvement of towns. A fixed annual grant cannot be sanctioned.

SUBJECT No. 215.

Destruction of lantana.

(1) Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.
(2) Messrs. Agali Venkataramiah, Sira Taluk, Narahariah and Chennalingappa, Nelamangala Taluk.
(3) Messrs. M. Subba Rao, Heggaddevankote Taluk, A. Ramanna, Yedatore Taluk, and Chiksubba Rao, Hunsur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The Lantana Extirpation Act may be introduced. A penal clause is necessary for enforcing the clearance of lantana on occupied lands.

(2) Ryots use lantana and prickly-pear for hedging purposes, which not only render the locality unhealthy but take away much of the valuable land by overgrowth. It has been repeatedly urged that a regulation might be passed for the extirpation of lantana and Government were